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Youth City Council Visits OKC March 14th

Members of the Broken Arrow Youth City Council will make a special trip to Oklahoma City next week to learn more about their state government. Youth councilors will also visit the Oklahoma Fire Training Facility and attend a mock judicial proceeding.

Wade McCaleb, City Council Member At-Large for Broken Arrow, has served as organizer of the YCC and has coordinated the trips each year to Oklahoma City.

During the trip, students will have the opportunity to participate in some of the exercises at the Fire Training Facility. Council members will also tour an Oklahoma City homeless area and attend an educational forum. They will then meet with a municipal judge, court administrator and attend the mock judicial proceedings before returning to Broken Arrow.

Nienhuis Park Holds Open House for New Gym

Nienhuis Park will hold an open house from March 13-16th between 7 a.m. -9 p.m. to showcase its new gymnasium and other exciting additions.

In addition to regularly scheduled programs and classes, Nienhuis Park will be hosting the Local Jr. Olympics Skills Competition March 24th and the Regional Skills Competition June 30th. The Fishing Derby which proved so popular in its inaugural last summer at Nienhuis will be held again in mid-June. Nienhuis will also host an NBA Basketball Camp in mid-July.

Dance Classes Offered at Community Center

Broken Arrow's Parks & Recreation Department is offering something new starting this week as the Nienhuis Park Community Center will host modern dance and hip-hop techniques for children in two age groups.

Kara Kloepping is the dance instructor. She also teaches classes at the Community Center in Tiny Tikes Tumbling and Pom. She has been an instructor for many years and has trained in New York at Broadway Dance Center.

Dancers will learn a new dance routine each month, with Wednesday classes 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. for children 5 to 8 years of age and 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. for children 9 and older.

Cost of the classes is \$25 per month. The Nienhuis Park Community Center is located at 3201 No. 9th Street. For more information call 355-0287.

Haikey Creek Targeted for Clean Up April 28th

The 13th annual Tulsa County Conservation District's 'Creek Clean Up' will be held Saturday, April 28th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The City of Broken Arrow is one of the sponsors of the program, which focuses on a different Tulsa County watershed each year.

Staging will be held at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club in Broken Arrow (on Washington, between Elm Place and Aspen). Volunteer teams will split into groups and clean up different creeks within the Haikey Creek Watershed. There will be food, prizes and awards for those participating. The event is held in observance of Earth Month.

Those wishing to participate may call the Tulsa County Conservation District at 280-1595 or visit (www.tulsacountyconservationdistrict.org).